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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:	)	Art Unit:
GRONHOJ-LARSEN, et al.	)	Examiner:
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ANALOGUES	)	

SECOND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Honorable Commissioner of Patents  
and Trademarks  
Washington, D.C. 20231

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Prior to action on the merits, please amend as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 1-17.

Please add the following new claims:

--18. A polypeptide amounting in total up to about 100 amino acids which comprises the following sequence

Thr-X<sub>4</sub>-Lys-X<sub>5</sub>-Arg-X<sub>6</sub> (SEQ ID NO:19),

wherein

X<sub>4</sub> and X<sub>5</sub> are independently selected from the group consisting of Met, Ile, Leu and Val; and

X<sub>6</sub> is selected from the group consisting of Asn, Asp, Gln and Glu,

wherein at least one of the following conditions (I)-(V) is true:

I) at least one of X<sub>4</sub>, X<sub>5</sub>, X<sub>6</sub>, Thr, Lys, and Arg is independently substituted with a non-natural or unusual amino acid,

II) the polypeptide is cyclized,

III) the polypeptide is stabilized,

IV) the aminoterminal amino acid residue is acylated, or

V) the carboxyterminal amino acid residue is amidated,